

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A computer-implemented system for assisting potential acquirees and potential acquirers to be matched together based on one or more sets of criteria, the system comprising:

one or more computers, wherein the one or more computers are connected via Internet;

one or more databases stored on the one or more computers comprising information, wherein the information is one or more sets of desired criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirers and one or more sets of actual criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirees;

one or more computer interfaces,

wherein one or more persons representing the one or more potential acquirees input the one or more actual criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirees via the one or more computer interfaces, such that the one or more actual criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirees is input as a pre-determined standardized format;

wherein one or more persons representing the one or more potential acquirers input the one or more desired criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirers via the one or more computer interfaces, such that the one or more desired criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirers is input as a pre-determined standardized format;

an automatic matching means, wherein the one or more desired criteria of the one or more potential acquirers and the actual criteria of the one or more potential acquirees are compared to each other, scored on a weighted scale, and matched if a score between the desired criteria and the actual criteria is greater than or equal to a pre-determined value; and

an automatic notification means, wherein each of the one or more potential acquirers and the one or more potential acquirees are notified if a score between the desired criteria and the actual criteria is greater than or equal to the pre-determined value.

Claim 2 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the one or more sets of criteria comprises employment status, geographical location, technical skill set, cumulative experience in a particular field of work, and combinations thereof.

Claim 3 (currently amended): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the pre-determined standardized format is ~~different~~ based on ~~different particular~~ fields of technical concentration on the part of the one or more potential acquirers and the one or more potential acquirees.

Claim 4 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the one or more persons representing the one or more potential acquirers are the one or more potential acquirers.

Claim 5 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the one or more persons representing the one or more potential acquirees are the one or more potential acquirees.

Claim 6 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the automatic notification means is an electronic message notification.

Claim 7 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the score is a numeric value.

Claim 8 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the weighted scale is pre-determined by the one or more potential acquirers.

Claim 9 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the one or more actual criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirees is purged from the system after a pre-determined period of time.

Claim 10 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, wherein the one or more desired criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirers is purged from the system after a pre-determined period of time.

Claim 11 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 1, further comprising a rating means for providing feedback regarding the one or more persons representing the one or more acquirers, the one or more persons representing the one or more acquirees, or both.

Claim 12 (original): The computer-implemented system according to claim 11, wherein the rating means comprises one or more responses, wherein the one or more response are in the form of numbers, text, symbols, yes/no answers, true/false answers, written comments or combinations thereof.

Claim 13 (original): A method for matching one or more potential acquirees and one or more potential acquirers via a computer-implemented system, comprising:

inputting one or more sets of desired criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirers, wherein the one or more desired criteria are input as a pre-determined standardized format;

inputting one or more sets of actual criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirees, wherein the one or more actual criteria are input as a pre-determined standardized format;

comparing the one or more sets of desired criteria input and the one or more sets of actual criteria, and determining a score of a comparison between the one or more sets of desired criteria input and the one or more sets of actual criteria on a weighted scale;

determining a match between the one or more sets of desired criteria input and the one or more sets of actual criteria if the score is greater than or equal to a pre-determined value; and

notifying the one or more potential acquirers and the one or more potential acquirees if the score is greater than or equal to a pre-determined value.

Claim 14 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the one or more sets of criteria comprises employment status, geographical location, technical skill set, cumulative experience in a particular field of work, and combinations thereof.

Claim 15 (currently amended): The method according to claim 13, wherein the pre-determined standardized format is ~~different~~ based on different particular fields of technical concentration on the part of the one or more potential acquirers and the one or more potential acquirees.

Claim 16 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the notifying is performed automatically without prompting by a user.

Claim 17 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the notifying is performed by an electronic message notification.

Claim 18 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the score is a numeric value.

Claim 19 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the pre-determined value is pre-determined by the one or more potential acquirers.

Claim 20 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the computer-implemented system is connected to the Internet.

Claim 21 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the one or more actual criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirees is purged from the system after a pre-determined period of time.

Claim 22 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the one or more desired criteria respective of the one or more potential acquirers is purged from the system after a pre-determined period of time.

Claim 23 (original): The method according to claim 13, further comprising rating the one or more persons representing the one or more acquirers, the one or more persons representing the one or more acquirees, or both